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2022 Maryland State Wrestling Dual Meet Championships

Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches:

Congratulations on winning your region championship and advancing to the MPSSAA Dual Meet Championships on February 12, 2022. The MPSSAA Wrestling committee realizes this is an exciting time for you and your student-athletes, schools, and communities. As you prepare for this upcoming Saturday, the committee would like to provide you with some information that will be helpful in answering the many questions you will receive, as well as offer some information that will help make this a successful championships for all. Additionally please remember to refer to the [MPSSAA Winter Tournament Bulletin](#) for additional information regarding the state dual meet tournament.

I. State Dual Meet Tournament Information

- A. **The 2022 MPSSAA Dual Meet Championships** will be held at North Point High School, Waldorf, MD
- B. **All spectators, coaches, and wrestlers not competing must wear masks.**
- C. **Tournament Director** – David Dodson dadodso@carrollk12.org 443-974-8666 or 410-386-1673.
- D. **Schedule**

Weigh-ins	Class 2A & 1A	10:30 a.m.
Semifinals	Class 2A & 1A	12:00 p.m. --- 4 Mats
Weigh-ins	Class 4A & 3A	12:30 p.m.
Semifinals	Class 4A & 3A	2:00 p.m. --- 4 Mats
Finals	Class 2A & 1A	4:00 p.m. --- 2 Mats
Awards	Class 2A & 1A	Immediately After 2A & 1A Finals
State Finals	Class 4A & 3A	6:30 p.m. --- 2 Mats
Awards	Class 4A & 3A	Immediately After 4A & 3A Finals

I. Competition Information

A. Dressing Rooms and Team Accommodations

Dressing rooms and seating will be assigned to each team upon arrival by the site manager.

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B. Weigh – ins

1. Weigh-ins and skin condition checks for all matches will begin promptly one and a half hour before the start of each semi-final session. Weigh-ins will be conducted by team and classification in the upper right gymnasium/wrestling room. All competitors will weigh-in wearing their legal school issued wrestling uniform. Each team will be assigned one of four scales. All teams in each classification will weigh in simultaneously. If a participant misses weight on their assigned scale they will be permitted to attempt on the other three scales. The four Class 1A teams will weigh-in first, followed by the four Class 2A teams, for the first round of semifinals. The four Class 3A teams will weigh-in first, followed by the four Class 4A teams, for the second round of semifinals. All wrestlers must be in the weigh-in area when weigh-ins begin.
2. The MPSSAA Wrestling committee asks all wrestlers to depart the weigh-in area after skin condition checks are complete and dress in the provided locker rooms. Wrestlers are not to bring bags or food to the weigh-in area.
3. All participating schools are reminded that the completed NFHS Medical Release for Wrestler to Participate with Skin Lesion form **will be required** for any wrestler desiring to return to competition after having been diagnosed as having a communicable disease or is suspected of having a communicable skin disease or any other condition that makes participation appear inadvisable. This form can be found on the wrestling page of www.mpssaa.org under wrestling forms or by clicking [NFHS Medical Release Form](#). Physician authorization must be included on the form at the weigh-in. If a condition is present, the completed form with documentation and physician's signature must be present at the weigh-in.

C. Warm-up/Competition

1. Official team warm-up:
 - a. Each team will be allotted a 10-minute warm-up period prior to their match.
 - b. Lower seeded team will take the mat 25 minutes prior to match.
 - c. Higher seeded team will take the mat 14 minutes prior to match.
 - d. Team members and coaches are to line up at the edge of the mat immediately following warm-ups for announcements. It is important to the MPSSAA Wrestling Committee that each wrestlers name is announced, therefore, we ask you to be mindful of your warm-up time.
2. A diagram of the competition mat set-up has been provided in this bulletin on pages 6 and 7.
 - a. Class 1A Semifinals: #1 v #4 will wrestle on mat 1
 - b. Class 1A Semifinals: #2 v #3 will wrestle on mat 2
 - c. Class 2A Semifinals: #1 v #4 will wrestle on mat 3
 - d. Class 2A Semifinals: #2 v #3 will wrestle on mat 4
 - e. Class 3A Semifinals: #1 v #4 will wrestle on mat 1
 - f. Class 3A Semifinals: #2 v #3 will wrestle on mat 2
 - g. Class 4A Semifinals: #1 v #4 will wrestle on mat 3
 - h. Class 4A Semifinals: #2 v #3 will wrestle on mat 4
 - i. Class 1A Finals will wrestle on mat 1
 - j. Class 2A Finals will wrestle on mat 2
 - k. Class 3A Finals will wrestle on mat 1
 - l. Class 4A Finals will wrestle on mat 2

Lower seeded team benches are in the middle/higher seeded team benches are on the outside.

3. Certified Athletic Trainers - The MPSSAA, through a partnership with ATI Physical Therapy, will staff the tournament with certified athletic trainers. All schools entered in the tournament agree to accept the recommendation of the medical professional assigned by the MPSSAA to cover the event. Coaches are reminded to bring their own medical kit and supplies, including tape.

D. Coach/Bench Personnel and Decorum

1. Teams are advised that extraneous bench personnel will not be permitted on the bench.
2. All personnel on the bench must be in a school issued uniform or have a team role (coaches, statistician, trainer, etc.)
3. The head coach is responsible for the actions of the wrestlers and bench personnel. The coach is expected to act in a professional and sportsmanlike manner and control his team at all times.
4. Managers must be of high school age. Small children will not be allowed on the floor with the teams – Coaches may not bring children through the team entrance. All coaches must be contracted by the local school system.

E. Professionalism and Sportsmanship

1. As the state dual meet tournament serves as the grandest stage of wrestling, it is expected that coaches will dress professionally and display the highest level of sportsmanship throughout the duration of the tournament. Coaches shall also foster positive sportsmanship with assistant coaches, wrestlers, managers, and the school community. Officials will not tolerate any unsportsmanlike conduct by coaches or wrestlers. A public expression of dissent from the officials' judgment merely excites spectators and often results in a negative outcome. The coach, more than any other individual, can promote the spirit of sportsmanship and ensure that the tournament atmosphere is at the utmost level.
2. The State Wrestling Committee will recognize the school which displays the best overall sportsmanship while participating in the dual meet championships with a Sportsmanship Award. Each school's coaches, players, and spectators will be graded on the level of sportsmanship they project. The award will be presented to the head coach and team members at the Individual State Championships prior to the finals.
3. Undesirable behavior by any of the school participants or non-participants shall be grounds for disqualification at the determination of the State Wrestling Dual Meet committee. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action.

F. Supervision

1. Principals, athletic directors, and head wrestling coaches are responsible for supervising their teams at all times. Misconduct by wrestlers, team personnel, coaches, and/or other persons affiliated with the team will not be tolerated.
2. The principal, athletic director, or school personnel of each participating school are responsible for crowd control as it pertains to representatives of their school and spectators from their school

community. School personnel should be alert to detect and correct or discipline any unsafe or unruly behavior of their spectators.

3. The school representatives should notify the MPSSAA site manager upon arrival of his/her seat location during the match. The MPSSAA site manager will contact the school representative(s) to resolve problems with their school's spectators.

G. Banners, Signs, and Photography/Videography

1. Hand-held signs may be displayed at the championships. Obscene or derogatory signs will be confiscated. Signs may not be carried through the stands as a means of taunting other spectators.
2. Spectators who take photographs or video must do so from their seats. No flash cameras permitted.

H. Results/Score

1. Track wrestling will be utilized providing live results for each match (www.trackwrestling.com).
2. Each dual meet will have separate scoreboards with individual match score/time/team score.
3. Team scores will be displayed on the Jumbotron for all mats.

I. Awards

1. An awards ceremony will take place after the each classification finals have completed in the center of the competition mats.
2. The MPSSAA Wrestling Committee asks all team members and coaches to remain in the bench area until each classification awards are presented. Spectators are prohibited from entering the competition area during the awards presentation.
3. Finalists and Champions will receive a team plaque and individual medals for each wrestler.

II. Team and Spectator Logistics/Information

A. Designated Team Drop-Off Area

1. All team buses should enter North Point High School at the first entrance of the school from Davis Road. Teams should be dropped off at the main entrance of the gymnasium/swimming pool for student-athletes to safely enter and exit their respective buses.
2. Coaches should instruct bus drivers to exit the drop off area after student-athletes enter the building and park on the far end of the parking lot past the stadium ticket entrance.

- B. Spectator Seating** is available in the lower section of the gymnasium bleachers (side and the end zone area). The upper level bleachers are for wrestlers and team personnel.

- C. **Concessions** will be sold in the main hallway outside of the gymnasium.
- D. **Souvenir State Dual Meet Merchandise** will be available for purchase at the entrance of the gymnasium.
- E. **Restrooms** are located in the main hallway to the right of the gymnasium entrance.
- F. **Admission**
1. Tickets can only be purchased online at <https://gofan.co/app/school/MPSSAA>. Persons age 7 years and older will be charged admission. Gymnasium will not be cleared between the semifinal and finals. Ticket prices are as follows:

All-day pass: \$12.00 (will be redeemed all day)
Championship Finals: \$10.00 (will not be available to be redeemed until 3:30 PM)
 2. Complimentary admission will only be granted to holders of the purple colored “MPSSAA Administrator/Coaches Pass”. The white Chief of Staff (superintendent staff) passes admit the bearer and a guest. A valid driver’s license must be displayed with each pass.
- G. **Parking and Directions** – Spectators should enter North Point High School at the first entrance of the school from Davis Road. There will be two parking lots available for spectator parking, both at the entrance of the gymnasium.
- North Point High School: 2500 Davis Road Waldorf, MD 20603
1. Take I-495 to the exit 3 for MD-210 South/Indian Head Highway.
 2. Continue on MD-210 South/Indian Head Highway for 10.4 miles.
 3. Take MD-228 East/Berry Road for 2.8 miles.
 4. Turn right onto Bunker Hill Road and go 0.1 mile.
 5. Take first right onto Davis Road and go 0.8 mile.
 6. School will be up on the left hand side (Take the first entrance).
- H. **MPSSAA Championship Central** – Please see the MPSSAA Wrestling State Championship Central for more information regarding the [Dual Meet Championships](#)

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS!

SEMIFINAL SET-UP/MAT ASSIGNMENTS

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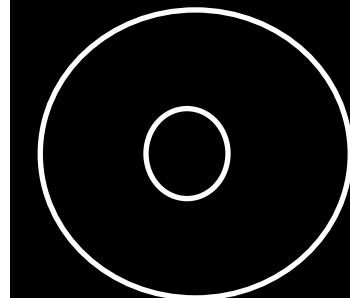
ATI Athletic Trainers

TEAM SEATING (Upper Level Bleachers)

SPECTATOR SEATING

Class 1A & 3A Seed # 1 Bench

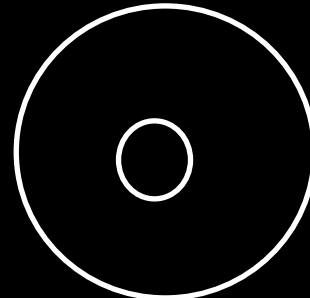
Mat # 1



Class 1A & 3A Seed # 4 Bench

Class 1A & 3A Seed # 2 Bench

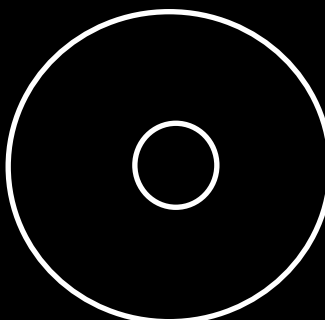
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Class 1A & 3A Seed # 3 Bench

Class 2A & 4A Seed # 4 Bench

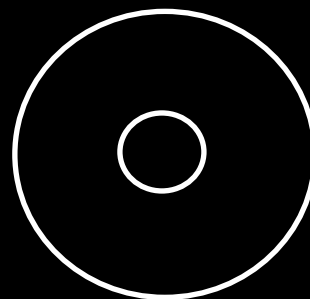
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Class 2A & 4A Seed # 3 Bench

Mat # 4



Class 2A & 4A Seed # 2 Bench

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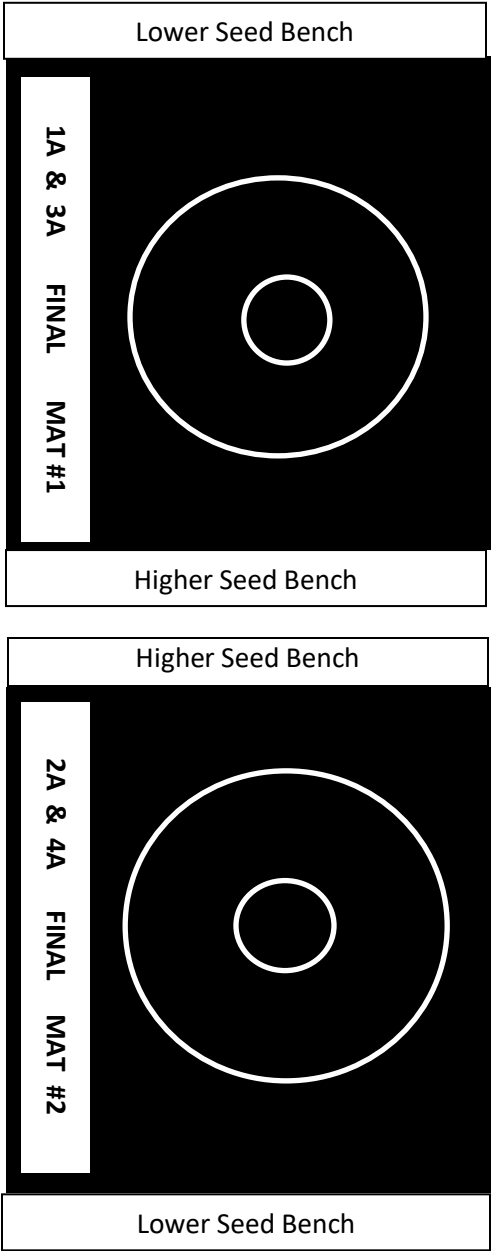
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